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Title:	IMPLANTABLE SUDDEN CARDIAC DEATH PREVENTION DEVICE WITH REDUCED PROGRAMMABLE FEATURE SET		

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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Forms 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted either within three months of the filing date or before the first Office Action of the above-identified application. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Forms 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), and the 05 August 2003 Official Gazette Notice, only a copy of each foreign document or non-U.S. patent/application listed on the enclosed Forms 1449 is provided.

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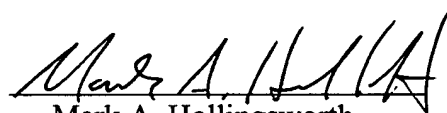
Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Forms 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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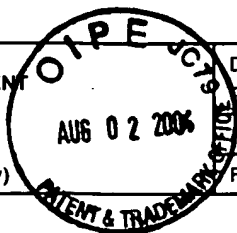
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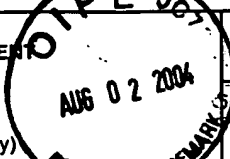
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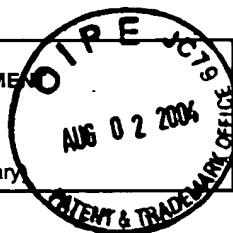
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